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11 MS. LOWE: Hi. My name's Nancy Lowe, and I
12 live within 300 yards of the CSX railway line. I
13 was just remembering, as I was sitting there when
14 Elizabeth was talking about the railroad tracks,
15 about when I first moved into our house two years
16 ago how I would spend so much time looking out the
17 window with my son, looking at the choo-choo. And
18 I think about this picture of the cask traveling
19 along that same railway line, and it sends sort of
20 a shock through my system to think that without
21 knowing it I could have been exposed to radiation
22 already, and my son as well. I'm gravely concerned
23 about the proposal for transporting nuclear waste
24 so close to my home. I've never spoken at a
25 hearing about nuclear power, although I've long

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1 felt that nuclear energy's a bad solution to our
2 energy needs.

3 But I was moved to speak tonight by my son,
4 who's three years old now. As I was explaining to
5 Noah why it is that I was going to this meeting
6 tonight, I was at the same time thinking that I
7 really should be spending time with him, who I
8 haven't seen all day. I was thinking I should
9 stay home when I heard him crying to himself,
10 sitting on the sofa. And I said, "What's wrong?"

11 He said, he said, "Mommy, I don't want them
12 to send that dangerous stuff down the railroad
13 tracks. Are they really going to do that?"

14 And I decided at that moment that I had to
15 come here and speak. I said, "No, they're not
16 going to do that. I'm going to tell them not to."
17 And I'm here for that reason, to tell you not to.
18 We live along those railroad tracks, there are
19 schools along those tracks and businesses and
20 roads, and in every town where the tracks run,
21 more schools and more roads, more homes and more
22 people like Noah. Why should I and my family or
23 anyone, for that matter, be subjected to chronic
24 doses of radiation or, worse, the risk of a
25 catastrophe due to an accident? I am outraged at

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1 this proposal to ship nuclear waste all across the
2 country, putting millions of lives at risk. And I
3 urge you to find a better solution. |

4 MS. SWEENEY: Thank you.

5 MR. LAWSON: Thank you. Is there anyone else
6 who would like to speak at this time? We have
7 three. I'll take this gentleman, that lady and
8 then the other gentleman. If you would, please
9 give us the name so we can get it in the record as
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